The Arboretum's mission is education, research, conservation, and to demonstrate how introduced plant species and native plants grow in a high desert environment.









Wilbur D. May Arboretum & Botanical Garden

Jr. Naturalist Guide



For ages 10 & younger



How to Earn Wilbur's Naturalist Patch

- 1. Fill out your name, mailing address, and phone number.
- 2. Complete your Naturalist Guide.
- 3. Mail your completed guide and \$1 to

May Arboretum 1595 N. Sierra St Reno, NV 89503

We will mail you back your completed guide and a Wilbur's Naturalist Patch!



A Place to Call Home

Just like us, animals have a home. Where an animal lives is called a **HABITAT**.

What kind of habitats are here in the Arboretum?

Draw or write about your ideas below HINT: Think about what kind of animals live here.

Nama

Phone Number

The Secret Garden

The Arboretum is full of hidden paths.

Go explore and see if you can find a

secret garden!

My secret garden is ...

My secret garden feels ...

My secret garden has ...

What kind of plants grow in your secret garden?

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Hiking Adventures in Washoe County

- · Wilbur D. May Arboretum
- Bartley Ranch Regional Park
- · Davis Creek Regional Park
- Galena Creek Regional Park
- · Lockwood Trailhead
- · Silver Lake Trail
- · Slide Mountain Trail
- . And so much more!

For a complete list of trails, parks, and open space in Washoe County visit:

www.washoecounty.us/parks

What did I hear today?

Draw or write about the coolest sound you heard at the Arboretum.

Location:

Date:

Draw or write about the coolest thing you saw at the Arboretum.

Location:

Date:

Explorers Log

Date	Where Did You Explore?	

Happy Trail Tips

- 1. Stay on trail
- 2. Keep voices low to not scare away wildlife
- 3. Bring a notebook to record what you see

Leaf, Scale, and Pine Needle Rubbings

Wonder Willow

Grab a seat at Evans Creek Bridge & take a look around...

What do you See?

What do you Feel?

What does it Remind you of?

What do you Wonder?

- 1. Find a leaf you think is interesting.
- 2. Set your leaf on a hard surface.
- 3. Place the white sheet of paper on top.
- 4. Use the side of your pencil to color over the leaf.
- 5. Record your Nature Notes.
- 6. Repeat steps 1-5 for pine needles and scales too!

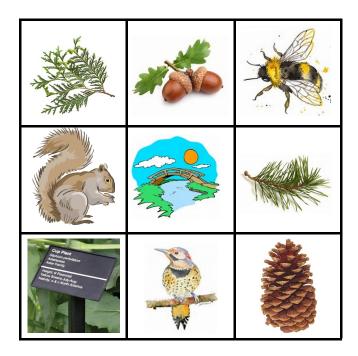
Nature Notes:

Where did I find this (leaf, needle, scale)?

What does the rubbing show me?

What does it remind me of?

- 1. Explore the Arboretum.
- 2. Put an "x" on what you can find.
- 3. Try to get 3 in a row, vertical, or diagonal.
- 4. Bingo!



Leaf Rubbing



Leaves come in different shapes and sizes just like us!

Nature Notes:

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